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THE RUHR TUSSE.

Strict Embargo on Exports.

GERMANS USING SPECIAL FUNDS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, February 12.

The newspapers emphasise the importance of the embargo on exports from the Ruhr to Germany and state that all arrangements have been made to ensure that the goods intended for neutrals and the Allies shall reach their destination. There will be a system of export licences, which will counter any attempt by Ruhr magnates to evade the order by sending goods into Germany through foreign countries. It is most probable that a further order will be made placing the sale of Ruhr products in the hands of the occupation authorities. Special privileges will be granted to German manufacturers agreeing to co-operate with the Allies.

Berlin, February 12.

A motorcar with two French officers and a German chauffeur was held up at Gelsenkirchen by policemen because it was not provided with a rear lamp. The officers alighted and disarmed the policemen. A detachment of police arrived, and were fired on by an officer, who wounded one policeman. The motorcar sped off, and the policemen fired, wounding both the officers, who have been taken to hospital with the wounded policeman.

London, February 12.

Despatches from correspondents in the occupied territory show that the Franco-German tug of war is becoming intensified, the people being expelled or arrested in larger numbers than ever, including burgomasters and all classes of officials, parsons, and schoolmasters. About half the chief daily newspapers published in unmastered Germany are not allowed in the Ruhr. About half the newspapers in the occupied zone are at present suspended. The newspapers in their part are endeavouring to strengthen the resistance against the German propaganda. A Ruhr relief fund in Berlin alone has collected 1,600 million marks, apart from Government help, which means many thousands of millions more, and the help of industrial magnates, who are staking a large part of their resources on the success of the fight.

A Berlin message says it is semi-officially stated that the German Government has protested in London, Paris and Brussels against the "illegal" ordinance of the Inter-Allied Rhineland Commission declaring that Germans complying with the Commission's regulations will be protected against prosecution by the German authorities and infractions of the ordinances will be punishable by a fine not exceeding fifty million marks or imprisonment for five years.

London, February 12.

The latest French suggestion concerning the transit of coal across the British zone of the Rhineland is that Britain shall hand over to France six miles of railway at the corner of the British zone. It is understood, however, that Britain entertains political objections to this.

Paris, February 12.

The Inter-Allied High Commissioner at Coblenz has decided that exports from the Rhineland to unoccupied Germany can only be effected by special authorisation issued at Crefeld, Cologne, Mayence and Ludwigshafen. It is announced that Belgian troops tomorrow will occupy Wesel and Emmerich, the latter being the customs station for Holland.

A Berlin message states that President Ebert in a speech said every German was conscious that the existence of the German Republic was at stake, "but if we unite our forces we shall overcome the latest attack on our national life."

THE IRISH CLOUD.

London, February 12.

Mr. O'Higgins, the Coroner for Queens County, was shot dead at Maryborough last night. He was a brother-in-law of Mr. Tim Healy and father of the Free State Home Minister.

London, February 12.

The central offices of the republicans, which the Free State forces closed in November, have been reopened in Dublin. Mary MacSwiney, who was recently released from Mountjoy prison, has been placed in charge.

London, January 12.

The police raided the republican offices in Dublin and rearrested Mary MacSwiney.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN TEST.

Johannesburg, February 12.

There was unsettled weather, and an attendance of ten thousand, with a good wicket, for the resumption of the Test match. There were two short interruptions owing to rain. England scored 294 for 5, Russell compiling 96 with attractive play, including a dozen fours, in 183 minutes. Sandham scored 38, with a sound defence and good timing; and Woolley scored 80, not out.

LITHUANIANS TO HAVE MEMEL.

Paris, February 12.

It is foreboded that Memel will shortly be handed over to Lithuania, following the conference of Ambassadors, to-day's meeting of which noted the Allied committee's report from Memel showing that the Allies' demands were satisfactorily carried out.

GREEK WAR CROSS FOR WOMEN.

Athens, February 12.

The Greek War Cross has been awarded to the American women doctors Mabel Elliott and Esther Lovejoy, for heroic relief work in Asia Minor. This is the first time the Cross has been conferred on a woman.

BETTER BRITISH TRADE.

London, February 12.

The Board of Trade returns for January, in millions sterling, show: Imports 99½, exports nearly 67, being increases of 4¼ and 8 respectively, compared with December.

IN CHARGE OF KING'S THOROUGHBREDS.

London, February 12.

Major Fetherstonhaugh has been appointed manager of H.M. the King's thoroughbred stud, replacing the late Lord Marcus Beresford.

BECKETT UNABLE TO FIGHT YET.

London, February 12.

The Beckett versus Smith fight has been postponed on account of an injury to Beckett's hand. The date of the fight is not yet fixed.

SIKI REINSTATED.

Paris, February 12.

The Boxing Federation has annulled Siki's suspension.

WHAT IS A BANKNOTE?

Is Forging an Ineffectual Document a Crime?

KNOTTY PROBLEMS FOR FULL COURT.

Can a charge of forgery be made upon a document which, even if it were a genuine document, would not be effective in the ordinary course of business?

This was one of the knotty legal problems which occupied the Chief Justice (Sir Wm. Rees Davies) and the Puisne Judge (Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz) in the Full Court to-day.

The legal point arose out of arguments put forward by Mr. Elsiey Zeilyn in the course of the hearing of charges of forging documents and certain valuable securities against four Chinese in the Kwangsi Bank case, at the Criminal Sessions recently. Two of the accused were found "not guilty" and were discharged. The other two were found "guilty" by the jury, but sentence was deferred for points of law to be argued before the Full Court, which sat for that purpose to-day.

The Attorney General (Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp) conducted the case for the Crown, and Mr. Zeilyn (instructed by Mr. G. K. Hall Bratton) appeared for the defence.

Mr. Zeilyn upon the first count submitted that on the evidence the making of the documents purporting to be \$1 Kwangsi banknotes was not forgery in law. Secondly, on the evidence the documents were not valuable securities. Thirdly, the documents were not valuable securities within the meaning of the Forgery Ordinance, 1922.

Counsel's proposition, in the second count also, was that on the evidence the making of the documents was not forgery in law. The Puisne Judge pointed out that it was not left open for counsel to argue that the verdict of the jury was wrong in fact.

Mr. Zeilyn explained that his point was that there was no case to go to the jury.

Worthless Notes.

Counsel drew the attention of the Court to the evidence of Mr. George Banker, during the course of which the witness said he left Kwangsi last July and had not been there since. The Bank closed business in June, last year. There was no bank to redeem these notes and it was, therefore, counsel's contention that they were worthless.

The Puisne Judge said he left it to the jury to find whether they were worthless or not and that point had not been reserved. Counsel might argue that as the Bank was closed—had moved and could not be found—there was in existence no person who could redeem these notes.

Mr. Zeilyn referred to the evidence of an accountant in a firm of money changers. This witness said the notes had not been used for a year. At present they were not worth anything. They did not change them. He would not at present give anything for them. He would not change a Kwangsi banknote for anything.

Those two witnesses, continued counsel, were witnesses called by the Crown and, therefore, it was a very fair submission, he thought, to say that it was the best evidence available.

The proposition of law on which counsel based his contention on this part of his case was set out in Halsbury, vol. 9, page 721:—"If an instrument, had it been genuine, would have been effective in the ordinary course of business between the parties as an order or banknote or warrant, no defect being patent on the face of it, such instrument may be the subject matter of forgery."

The proposition counsel put was in the converse form:—That the Bank having ceased to exist—there being no bank capable of redeeming these notes—it was not a note which, had it been

genuine, would, in the ordinary course of business, have been effective between the parties.

Counsel's Query.

Counsel put his point briefly:—Can a charge of forgery be made upon a document which, had it been genuine, could not have been effective between the parties? His submission was that the Bank, having ceased to exist, it was impossible for that note to be effective between the parties and, therefore, on that document there could not be a charge of forgery.

Mr. Zeilyn directed the Court's attention to Rex v. Russ, 1849. In this case there was a friendly society, or Masonic lodge, which, upon the death of one of its members, distributed a portion of some funds amongst the survivors of the deceased's family. Some persons conspired to forge a document which purported to declare that a member had died. That document being presented, the treasurer paid a portion of the funds to each person purported to be entitled. Upon being charged with forgery, the Judge who presided held that a charge of forgery could not be based upon a document addressed to a body which had ceased to exist. He said the point would be reserved for the Court of Crown Cases. The men were afterwards brought before the same Judge charged with obtaining money by false pretences and it was contended on behalf of prisoners that the charge could not be sustained because it was forgery. The Judge said it was not forgery. The prisoners were convicted on another indictment, otherwise the point would have been reserved.

Mr. Zeilyn submitted that this point, never having been reserved, it was reserved for "their Lordships" Court to "deal with and, therefore, more interesting. If they substituted for the Lodge the Kwangsi Bank, they had an authority fully covering the proposition counsel had submitted.

It appeared to counsel that there was no answer to that proposition, and it appeared to him that if it was good law, they could not base a charge of forgery. There might perhaps be some right on the part of the Bank to lay a charge of infringement of copyright, but there was no right upon that document to base a charge of forgery.

Mr. Zeilyn's second proposition was that on the evidence the documents, the subject of the charge, were not valuable securities. According to the evidence of Mr. Banker, the Bank ceased to exist last June, and according to the money changer's accountant, they had not taken these notes since that time. In fact the evidence amounted to it being impossible to get anything for these notes from any money changer at any time since the Bank closed its doors.

Not a Banknote.

Counsel's further contention was that the document did not purport to be a \$1 note. On the face of the document it was stated:—"It is equal to ten ten-cent pieces. The same is for current use in payment of all taxes and revenues in this Province. Issued in the First Year of the Republic of China, 1, Nanning."

On a banknote, counsel pointed out, there was an undertaking to "pay bearer on demand."

Counsel then referred the Court to the back of the document, on which it was stated:—

"A proclamation by Luk Wing-king, Military Governor of Kwangsi. Hitherto banknotes issued by the Kwangsi Bank have been in current use in the market. They are convenient and are equivalent to ready cash. With the establishment of the Republic their credit has been greatly increased. As old banknotes are insufficient for circulation, an additional issue is therefore advisable to ensure efficiency.

Large sums of money have been prepared for the purpose of cashing, with a view to creating facilities to the money market in paying taxes or revenues and

LOCAL BOXING.

Two Championship Fights Arranged.

Local boxing enthusiasts will be interested to hear that articles have been signed for a 15-round lightweight championship contest and the Geige Belt between Stoker P. O. Morgan (welter weight champion of the Colony and winner outright of the Scott Harston Walterweight Belt) and A. B. Chadwick, of H.M.S. Marazion. Both men have an excellent record in the Colony. Chadwick having knocked out Leading Seaman Taylor in December, 1921, and Teddy Neal on April 1st, 1922, in the first round of what would have been a 15-round featherweight championship contest had not Neal scaled overweight. He has also beaten A. B. Lister and A. B. Hindle on points. Chadwick was prevented from fighting Telegraphist Davies for the lightweight championship of the Colony at the last tournament, owing to Davies being unable to train down to the weight.

Articles have also been signed by Pte. Ainsworth, R.M.L.I., to fight A. B. Duncan (holder) for the middleweight championship of the Colony and Daily Press Belt. Ainsworth, who has recently arrived in the Colony, very sportingly fought C.P.O. Callaghan for the heavy-weight championship in the tournament held on December 23rd, last, when Duncan was prevented from fighting owing to a damaged hand. Ainsworth has since been in strict training and comes from England with an excellent record.

The above fights are to take place at the next tournament, to be held on Saturday, March 3rd, at the Theatre Royal, and they will be supported by four six-round contests in which several new men, who have recently arrived in the Colony and have come with good records, will be seen.

It is hoped, if the movements of the Fleet permit, to hold an open Novices' Tournament on April 5th, 6th, and 7th.

In dealings they are to be used according to their face value.

Counsel said that he would be interested to have the views of an invading army as to their value in paying taxes.

Continuing, Counsel read:—"All brethren are hereby notified and requested to comply herewith."

Nowhere within the definition of a valuable security could be obtained anything that remotely covered that document, Mr. Zeilyn submitted.

Counsel's definition of a banknote was a promissory note made by a banker and payable to bearer on demand.

The Chief Justice, referring to the document under discussion:—"What would you call it?"

Mr. Zeilyn:—"If your Lordship asks me, I would call it a 'pious declaration' by a military commander."

"Supposing that instead of the Kwangsi Bank it was the Hongkong Bank and I had to appear before your Lordship suing the Hongkong Bank for a dollar, could I possibly succeed?" Mr. Zeilyn asked. "I should be non-suited at once. There is nothing on the face of it that binds a person issuing it to pay the bearer a dollar on demand or at any other time or to any other person."

Mr. Zeilyn contended that if the document were valueless, no charge of forgery could possibly be brought.

In conclusion, Mr. Zeilyn said a conviction was obtained against the prisoners upon an indictment which, in law, could not be sustained and should be quashed.

The Court then adjourned for till.

The Attorney General commenced his reply at 2.30 this afternoon.

The case is proceeding.

MOTOR CYCLIST FINED.

Puts Up Stiff Defence.

Unlike other defendants in similar summonses, Mr. E. C. Bell of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., who had to answer charges of reckless driving and not sounding his horn when rounding a corner, had taken extraordinary pains in preparing his defence. First of all he had drawn a plan of the roadway, about a yard in length, which he submitted to the Court this morning. Next he did some quick calculation of the time and speed based on the figures submitted by the prosecution, and proved to the satisfaction of the and Magistrate that the speed was only ten miles at the outside, compared with the estimate of between fifteen and twenty miles which the prosecution submitted on their side. In consequence, his Worship told the Sergeant he was a bit rash in arriving at the conclusion, and discharged the defendant on this point.

Not content with this, the defendant argued with the witness on the other charge of not sounding a horn. He had pored over the regulations dealing with this matter and quoted them with a view to convincing his Worship that a horn was sounded only when advisable. He had not reckoned, however, with the amendment to the regulation which stipulated that a horn had to be sounded in all cases, whether the corner was a blind one or not. Defendant it appears, had measured the roadway to an inch, and laid stress on the point that the corner was a widely curving one, there being, according to his measurement, exactly 133 feet of clear sight from centre to centre across this curve.

Finally defendant took exception to the time stated in the summons, which was 9.15 p.m. This he stated, was not the right time. His Worship ruled out this objection as immaterial, and imposed a fine of \$5 on the charge of not sounding the horn.

MORE ROBBERIES.

Another Monmouth Path Case.

Two Chinese youths taking a stroll along Kennedy Road yesterday were robbed by four men, near Monmouth Path, of all their valuables, amounting to \$159.50. The robbers were squatting on the roadside but they got up and rushed at the boys as soon as they came up. A report has been made to the police, but no arrests have been made.

Two fishmongers living at No. 43, Lower Lascar Row were held up at their home by four armed men yesterday afternoon, with the result that a sum of \$1,000, kept in the safe, and a gold watch were stolen. The victims were bound and gagged with towels, and, lest they should feel chilly lying thus on the bed, the robbers very considerably covered them with blankets before they left.

The arrest was effected this morning at a house in Reclamation Street, Shamshui, of a man who was found to be in possession of a revolver.

What might have been a serious armed robbery was frustrated by the prompt blowing of a police whistle this morning. Soon after six o'clock, a gang of armed robbers made their appearance at No. 7, Tai Wong Street, Wanchai, and attempted to hold up the inmates with daggers and a revolver. One of the inmates, however, with commendable courage blew a police whistle and the robber gang "downed weapons" and bolted. The police have taken possession of the daggers and also the revolver, which was found to be fully loaded. No arrests were made.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

Naval Men Share the Prize.

There was a large entry for our Football Competition last week. All eight matches contained on the coupon were played, and although there were very many competitors who succeeded in giving seven correct forecasts, only two sent in the full number correct. These were:—

A. Birnie,

H.M. Submarine L.A.

F. A. Lawrence,

H.M.S. Hawkins.

In accordance with rules, the prize of \$50 is divided between these two competitors, and if they will call at this office we shall be pleased to hand them \$25 each.

Readers entering this week's competition should note the changed form—they are required to give the actual goal-score in the two Interport games. Coupon on page 4.

PETITION FOR REDUCED FARES.

With reference to the monster petition to Lord Inchcape for the reduction of fares to England which the European Association of Calcutta has organized, it is known that the response from all over India has been very great. Although a great majority of the forms issued have not yet been returned, several thousand signatures have already been obtained.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

Powell's have received a shipment of Sponge Cloths and Fancy Beaded Voiles.—Page 7.
Rowing enthusiasts of the V.R.C. should consult the notice on page 4.
For hours of business at the Imports and Exports Office during the Chinese New Year Holidays refer to page 4.

Consignees are notified of the arrival of the s.s. "Mutsuoto Maru."—Page 4.
There will be a Cabaret Dance at the Kowloon Theatre to-night.—Page 12.

"Schweppes'" famous specialities are on sale here.—Page 4.
The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of business on Friday and Saturday next.—Page 4.

LISTEN!

Advertising doesn't add to your resources so much as it multiplies them.

The usual Tea Dance will not be held at the Hongkong Hotel on Thursday next.—Page 4.

Whiteaway's have just unpacked Paris millinery models for sale.—Page 3.
"The March Hare" is the attraction at the World Theatre.—Page 12.

Particulars of forthcoming auction sales are given on page 4.
At the Coronet Theatre the current attraction is "The Prodigal Judge."—Page 12.

"Oh You Women" is the feature being screened at the Star Theatre.—Page 12.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was \$s. 2.13/16.

Lighting Up Time.

Lighting-Up Time to-day 6.19 p.m.

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K. R. A. MEETING.

The Housing Question.

HOSPITAL AND POST
OFFICE FACILITIES.

There was a large attendance of
members at the annual meeting of
the Kowloon Residents Association
held in St. Andrew's Church Hall,
Kowloon, last evening. Mr. R.
Wylie, president and was supported
by Mr. A. Morley (Hon.
Secretary) and Mr. W. J. Stokes
(Hon. Treasurer).

Chairman's Speech.

The minutes of the last meeting
having been approved, the
Chairman said: Gentlemen,
—In the absence of our President,
Mr. C. A. da Rosa, it has fallen to
me as Vice-President, to propose
the adoption of the Report and
Accounts of this Association, which
have been in your hands for some
days. Before doing so, however, I
think it would be fitting if I were
briefly to refer to one or two of
the more outstanding subjects
which have engaged your Com-
mittee's attention during the past
year. As will be seen from the
Report, the scope of our activities
has been as wide as is possible
having regard to the system under
which we are governed. It has
been aptly said that "as an Associa-
tion we have no money and no
power," but I think you will agree
that in the circumstances we have
made every endeavour by means of
representation to the Government
to improve the amenities of the
district in which we live. (Ap-
plause.)

Residents of this Colony have
not yet the privilege of governing
themselves, and this Association
has, of necessity, had to adopt the
attitude of a supplicant. But I am
sure that even the Government will
agree that we have never asked for
anything unreasonable. We have
concerned ourselves only with the
daily needs of this community,
because it was to attempt to im-
prove such that this Association
was brought into being. Until the
day arrives when residents will
have their direct voice in the Coun-
cils of the Colony we can only go
on asking for this and that, in the
hope that Kowloon will thereby
get its fair proportion of considera-
tion from those whose duty it is to
recommend the carrying out of
public improvements.

Kowloon Hospital.

You will see that several letters
have been addressed to the Gov-
ernment regarding the delay in the
construction of the Kowloon Hos-
pital, and the latest phase of this
interesting and most-needed de-
velopment for Kowloon is that
tenders for the work of construc-
tion have been called for. Whilst
the correspondence regarding the
Hospital might appear somewhat
meagre, I would point out that the
subject is one which has often
engaged your Committee's atten-
tion, and we have come to realise
that, in the absence of public
clamour and of something stronger
than the mere expression of pious
hope, the Government is appar-
ently determined to take its own
sweet time in giving to Kowloon this
very necessary institution. Since
we met last year, it would appear
that the cutting down of the site,
40 feet below its previous level, and
the calling for tenders is all that
has been accomplished. That is the
measure of another year's progress.

Recreation Facilities.

In the matter of facilities for
recreation, you will notice that
the Association played a part in
securing for the Kowloon Football
Club a playing field on this side of
the harbour, and that, as regards

the children, we have obtained
additional swings for them in the
playground on Chatham Road. We
also endeavoured to secure for
them extra covered-in accommoda-
tion, but our efforts in this con-
nection proved to be fruitless, for
it would appear that the site of the
present playground is but a tem-
porary one. As your Committee is
particularly anxious that the new
playground should have a central
location, we have recently address-
ed to the Government a request that
on the removal of the playground
from its present site the authori-
ties will bear in mind the desir-
ability of the new site being
central.

Our correspondence also shows
that your Committee have con-
sidered the question of Kowloon
folk having their own bathing
facilities, and we are optimistic
enough to hope that, when the
Government gives the matter its
attention in time for the next bath-
ing season, we shall have the
facilities we have requested.

I do not propose, Gentlemen, to
go into the work of the
past year at any greater length,
because I think the published re-
port and correspondence largely
speaks for itself. You will doubt-
less have noticed that we have,
from time to time, published in the
local press a resume of our month-
ly Committee meetings, a procedure
which, together with the publica-
tion already in your hands, was
designed to give residents a clear
idea of what the Association is
doing. But before I pass on to
speak of the future, I would like
to express the gratification which
your Committee felt last October,
when the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and
the Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe made
such lengthy reference to Kowloon
matters in their speeches in the
Legislative Council on the Budget
for this year. I venture to suggest
that in the absence of direct re-
presentation, the more we talk of
Kowloon and its needs, the more
likely are we to get others also
talking for us.

Rents.

So far as the future is con-
cerned, your Committee feel that
opportunity should be taken at this
annual meeting of expressing our
gratification at H.E. the Governor's
recent announcement that it will
shortly be proposed on behalf of the
Government that the Rents' Restr-
iction Ordinance will once again be
renewed. There can be, I think, no
shadow of doubt that, despite all the
building that has taken place dur-
ing the past year, the supply of
houses is still far short of the
demand, and as long as that is the
case it will remain the duty of the
Government to protect tenants from
becoming the victims of unscrupu-
lous landlords. We therefore wel-
come the announcement of the
Government's intention to re-enact
the Ordinance for at least another
twelve months. Rumours have been
in circulation to the effect that the
property-owning interests intend to
approach the Government with a re-
quest that if the Ordinance is
renewed it shall be amended in such
fashion as to permit a rental in all
houses to bring in a larger return on
capital expenditure than received at
present. That, Gentlemen, your
Committee regards as a specious
attempt to destroy the effectiveness
of the Ordinance, and we sincerely
trust that the Government will firmly
set its face against any such sug-
gestion, and, in fact, against any
proposal whatever which will have
the effect of weakening the Ordinance.
The Ordinance needs no
amending; it is fulfilling the objects
for which it was designed, and, re-
membering that it was primarily in-
tended to safeguard the interests of
tenants, we want no whittling down
of its protective character. You will
probably have noticed in the news

papers that in Singapore the Rents
Ordinance was not renewed this
year and, as a consequence, land-
lords generally substantially in-
creased rentals, in some cases tre-
bling them. Considerable alarm
on the part of tenants followed and
a petition was sent to the Secretary
of State for the Colonies. His reply,
however, was that he was unable to
differ from the views of the Gov-
ernor that the Restriction Ordinance
should not be renewed. I venture
to assert, Gentlemen, that if the
Hongkong Ordinance were allowed
to lapse we should also witness an
exorbitant rise in rentals here, be-
cause the demand for accommoda-
tion still largely exceeds the supply.
It must always be borne in mind
that conditions in Hongkong and
Singapore are by no means analog-
ous. We have here, within a short
distance of the Colony, a huge, rest-
less Chinese community, which is
subject to periodic political scares
and crises, resulting in tens of
thousands of people every now and
again rushing to Hongkong for
safety and protection. That factor
of itself is sufficient to cause serious
interference with what would be
Hongkong's normal demand for
housing accommodation, and it
needs no prophetic eye to envisage
local conditions were these people
allowed at any time to out-bid local
residents for the possession of their
homes. Even if Hongkong were
absolutely free from the risk of in-
vasion by wealthy refugees, we
should still need the Ordinance un-
der the present conditions of hous-
ing shortage; but how much more do
we need it in view of the fact that
Hongkong is not free from such a
risk, especially at the present time.
Until there is absolutely no room for
doubt that the housing accommoda-
tion is adequate to meet local needs,
we have a right to the continued
protection now given us by this
measure. If this Ordinance is to be
amended as all, let it be amended in
the direction of restricting owners
of new property from charging the
high rents they are doing. When
the Ordinance was first passed it
was said that it would have the
effect of restricting building, but the
shortage of accommodation has been
so acute that building has gone on
at an unprecedented pace. Accom-
modation is still so short to-day that
owners of newly erected houses can
demand and get rentals ridiculously
high in some cases, even after allow-
ing for the increased cost of build-
ing. It is just because there is a
shortage that the charging of such
high rentals is possible, and we think
the Government might very well
consider the advisability of estab-
lishing a Fair Rents' Board in respect
of property erected or occupied
since the coming into force of the
Ordinance in January, 1921.

Postal Facilities.

A subject which has been raised
of late is what has been described
as "the inadequate postal facilities
in Kowloon." There are at present
only two Post Offices on the Penin-
sula, one being at Tsim Sha-tei and
the other at Yau-mai, and it has
been felt that, in view of the ever-
increasing number of residents, the
time has come when Kowloon should
be given something better than it
has at present. It has been sub-
mitted to us that it is time that a
big post office was located some-
where in central Kowloon at which
every description of post office
business could be transacted, and
also that there is room for sub-
post offices at Kowloon City and in the
neighbourhood of Hung Hom. It
would seem obvious that the postal
needs of people living in these local-
ities are not being catered for as they
should be, especially when we re-
member that they have to travel
miles to procure a Money Order or
even to buy a postage stamp. I

suggest that the in-coming Com-
mittee should give this matter its
early and serious attention.

Town Planning.

It might just be, however, that
this matter of postal services has
already received the attention of the
Town Planning Committee, which
we have been publicly told has put
on a lot of good work on this side of
the harbour. But of course we do
not know, for the simple reason that
the Government has never seen fit
to invite a member of this Associa-
tion to join that Committee or to
acquaint us of anything yet planned.
We say so much in no carping spirit,
for we wish the Committee well.
But we trust that in laying out
Greater Kowloon they have taken
pains to avoid such congestion as
has already been permitted by the
Government in the southern portion
of the Peninsula, where almost every
little bit of open space between
blocks of flats is being built over
and valuable "lungs" sacrificed for
all time. It would be decidedly in-
teresting also to learn whether the
thought has ever occurred to the
Town Planning Committee, in order
to avoid a repetition of what has
been experienced on the middle
levels in Hongkong, that a European
reservation would be eminently
desirable in what, I venture to
suggest, the largest European resi-
dential area in the Colony. On the
land side, Europeans have been
squeezed out of the best and most
accessible districts; in many cases
they have been driven into Kowloon
flats, and it would be a thousand
pities if Kowloon residents—for the
most part people of only moderate
means—found themselves in a dis-
trict becoming more and more
Chinese. We realize that the ques-
tion of a reservation is a somewhat
ticklish one and we seek to raise no
question of racial distinction, but
we do assert that there does exist
at present grave incompatibilities
between native and foreign modes of
living. We are rightly jealous of
the privilege of living among those
of our own kind. The residents of
the Peak, the European residents
of Cheung Chan and the future
residents of Shekko, with their
Country Club and all, are not alone
in their possession of such a desire.
Peninsular Kowloon is largely a
European residential area, and
should be so preserved. Perhaps our
Town Planning Committee will
find time, amidst its other activities,
to give this particular aspect of plan-
ning its careful attention.

Civic Responsibility.

Gentlemen, before I move the
adoption of the Report and Ac-
counts, I would remark that it has
been the policy of your Committee
during the past year to be sugges-
tive, rather than critical, in its
attitude towards the Government,
and I would venture to urge that
the real work of this Association
lies not so much in electing officers
and a Committee and then pro-
ceeding to manufacture ammunition
to fire at the Government, but
rather to foster a spirit of civic
responsibility whereby every indi-
vidual of the community becomes
keenly interested in the welfare of
the district in which he lives.
That should be our aim, because it
is only by the hearty co-operation
of all that an Association such as
this can ever hope to achieve the
objects for which it was formed.
In saying so much I am tempted
to add that in the past the work
of the Association has largely fall-
en on the shoulders of a few and
whilst it is true that it must always
be left to a Committee to manage
your affairs, it would be distinctly
encouraging were that Committee
to realise that it had the whole-
hearted backing of all residents.
There is still room for our mem-



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mittee to matters of public inter-
est when they think the need arise.
Your officers and Committeemen
owing to the conditions of work
a-day life, have limited leisure as
they cannot reasonably be expected
to be cognizant of all that is trans-
piring. It will only be by the be-
half of all that the K.R.A. will grow
into an organisation fully-expressive
of the needs of its member.
During the past year we secured
many new members, mainly through
the hard work of our Honorary
Treasurer, Mr. W. J. Stokes, who
at all times will be pleased to
learn the names of any eligible to
join the Association.

It would be an act of omission
on my part to sit down without
acknowledging the hard work put
in during the past year by our
retiring President (Mr. C. A. da
Rosa) and our retiring Honorary
Secretary (Mr. A. Morley). Mr.
Rosa has already left the Colony
on leave, and Mr. Morley is due to
depart on leave at the end of this
month, and I am sure I am well
expressing your sentiments when
I say that we owe them our best
thanks for all the hard work they
have voluntarily given to this As-
sociation. To the 'St. Andrew'

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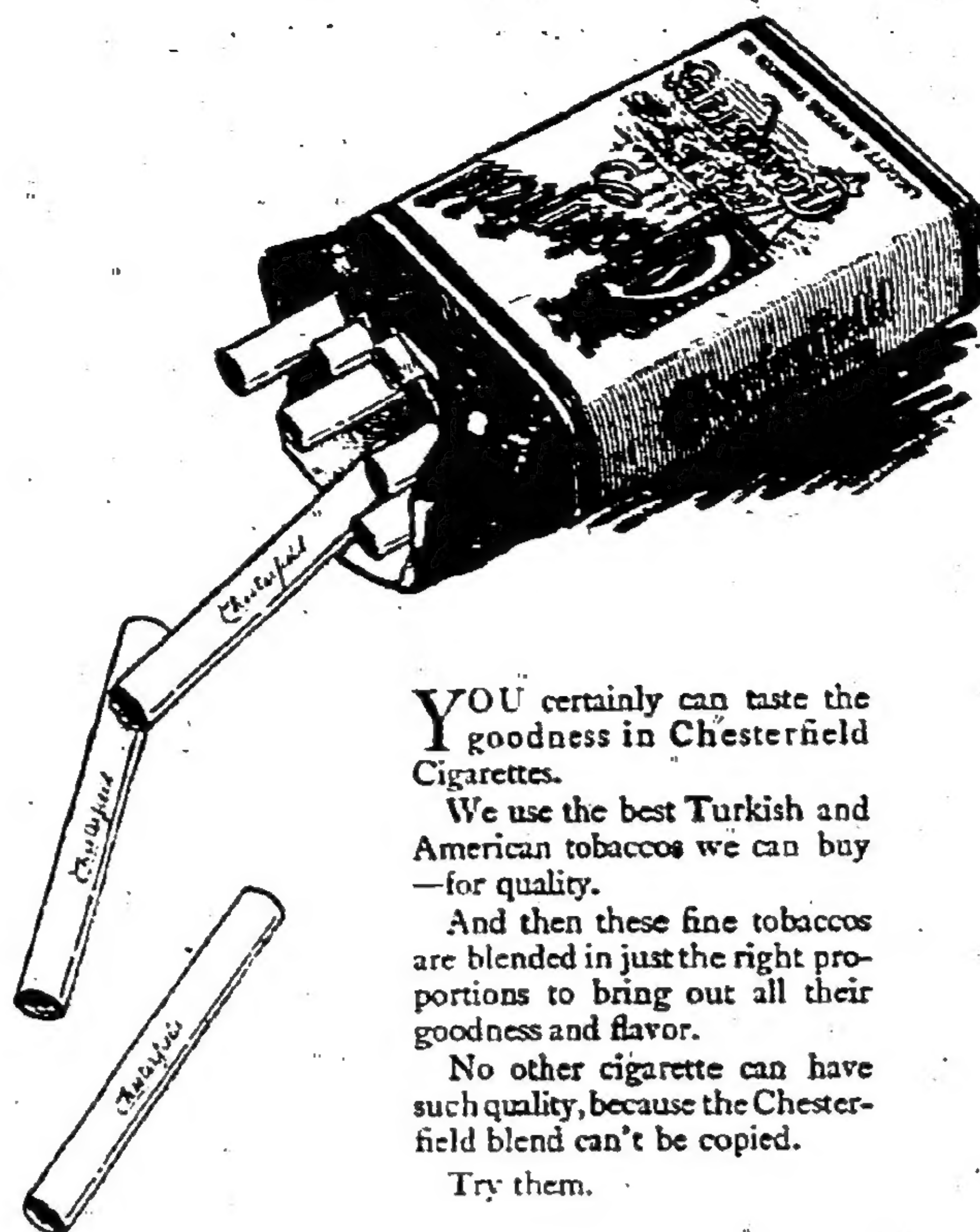
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K. R. A. MEETING.

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Church Vestry we also desire to express our thanks for having so kindly loaned us a room for our Committee meetings and for permitting us to meet here this evening.

With these remarks, Gentlemen, I have much pleasure in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts now before you. Will some member kindly second?

Mr. H. J. Nicolls seconded the resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

The New Officers.

The next business was the election of officers for the position of President. The Chairman proposed Mr. D. Parves, who had not only been one of their most enthusiastic members but was also one of the oldest residents.

Mr. F. P. Sarff seconded and the motion was unanimously agreed to. Mr. Wylie, who was also nominated, declined to accept office.

On the proposition of Mr. E. Ezra, seconded by Mr. Remedios, Mr. Wylie was elected Vice-President.

Mr. T. Martin was appointed Hon. Secretary, the resolution being moved by Mr. W. J. Stokes and seconded by Mr. Ruttenjee.

Mr. W. J. Stokes was confirmed in office for another year as Hon. Treasurer. As one who had worked in close contact with Mr. Stokes during the past year, the Chairman, in proposing the resolution, spoke of how closely the Hon. Treasurer had the welfare of the Association at heart. Mr. R. Parkham seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

The following were elected on the Committee: Rev. G. R. Lindsay, Dr. H. Balean, Messrs. C. A. da Rosa, R. Packham, F. P. de V. Soares, W. S. Bailey, J. Johnston, J. D. Anderson, G. W. Avenell, Rev. Fr. Spada, Capt. Lauritzen, F. X. D'Almada Remedios, J. Parsons, J. M. Castro de Basto, O. B. Raven, F. L. Cooke and H. J. Nicholls.

About Burglars.

The Chairman having invited suggestions, Mr. McNeill said there

was one little matter he desired to bring forward. I had only been here one week when I had two visits from burglars," he remarked amid laughter. I reported the first to the Police Station in the morning at 10.30 and it was between 6 and 7 o'clock when the news was circulated to the other stations. I think the police should not wait to have a bath or breakfast in the morning but should get a bit of a hurry on (laughter). If I had caught the burglar the second time I would have been sorry for himself (laughter).

The Chairman mentioned that the Association had had correspondence regarding the policing of Kowloon and more police had now been provided.

Water Complaint.

Mr. Remedios having asked for information relating to the cemetery and been referred to the remarks in the annual report on the subject.

Mr. H. W. Chaney asked whether there was a shortage of water in Kowloon. There certainly was in his flat.

Mr. Morley explained the negotiations which had taken place with the Government, who had promised to lay a new 18-inch main from Shatin reservoir. He suggested that as the Association had had no other complaint the trouble was purely local and might be traced to the occupants of the floor below.

Funeral Noises.

Mr. de Silva referred to the nuisance caused to residents of Ho Man-tin by Chinese funeral processions, with the accompanying noise from drums, when entering the cemetery. He said that the processions averaged six or seven a day and he suggested that the Committee should write to the Government asking that access to the cemetery should be provided by another route. The noise caused a great deal of annoyance.

The Chairman observed that the question would be taken up by the Committee.

A vote of thanks to the retiring officials and Committee, proposed by Mr. Macdonald, was heartily passed and concluded a very successful meeting.

EX-EMPEROR ILL.

Peking, Feb. 12.
The ex-Emperor is indisposed.—
Reuter.

MORE FIGHTING IN
THE NORTH.

Peking, Feb. 12.
Fighting has broken out in Szechuan between the amalgamated forces of Tan Hsi-hao Tang Mao-hsin and Yang Sen against Liu Chen-hsun at Luchunhsien, Fushunhsien and southwards at Chungking. The result is not reported yet. The latter general's position is further threatened by Lut Sun-hoa, the former Szechuan tuchun who is advancing from Shensi.—Reuter.

BILLIARDS CHAMPION-
SHIP.

Osmund Enters Semi-final.

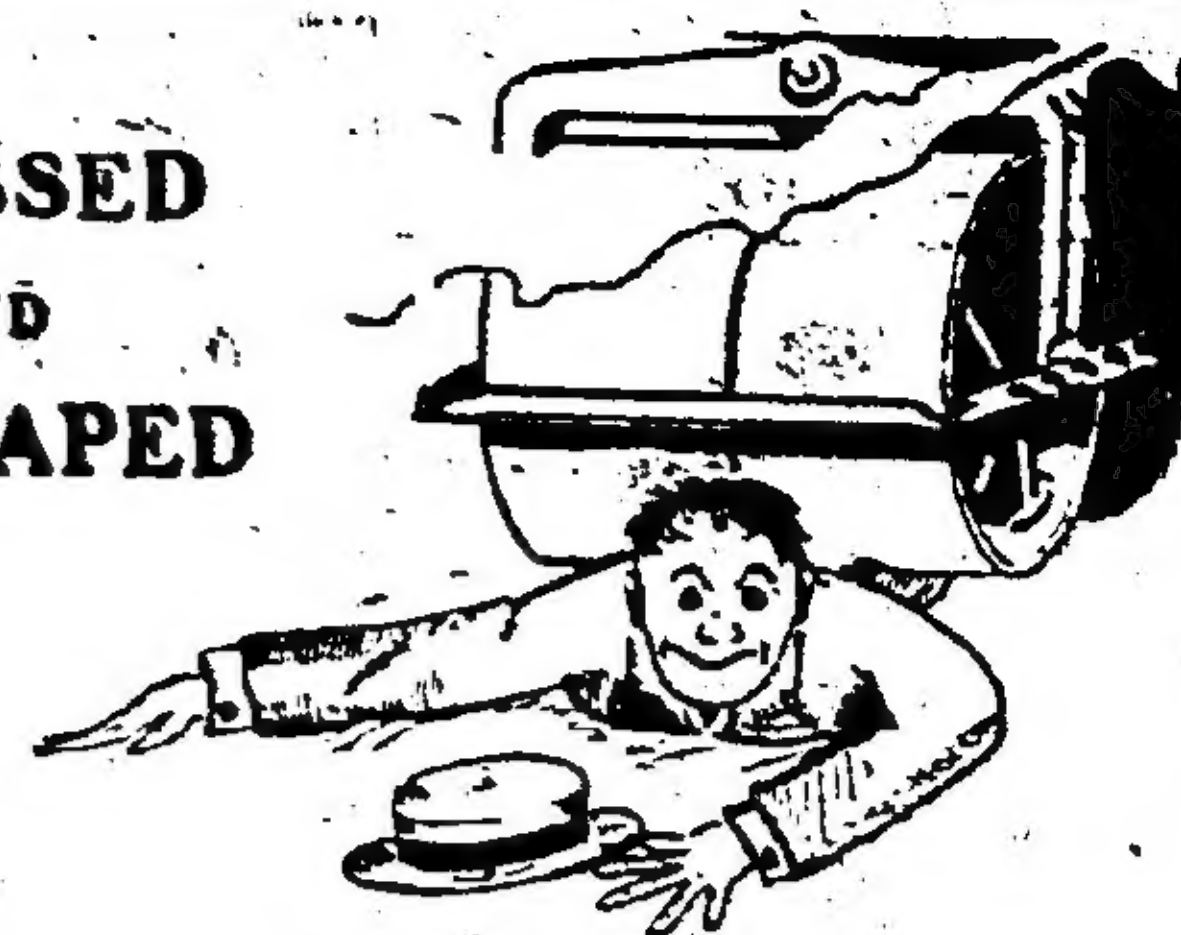
At the Victoria Recreation Club last evening A. J. Osmund entered the semi-final of the Billiards Championship of the Colony by beating F. W. Kwok by 128 points. Osmund's total score was 500, Kwok's 232.

Osmund kept the lead by about 40 points till 300 was reached when he was only ten ahead. Kwok overhauled him and at about 350 was two ahead. The latter, however, then came to a standstill and Osmund, by a series of breaks of 20 and 30, ran out. Osmund's best breaks were 39, 38, 34, 31 and 24, and Kwok's 37, 26, 21, 23 and 20.

INTERPORT GOLF.

Mr. R. A. Camidge has been elected to the sixth place in the Golf Interport Team, Messrs. E. J. R. Mitchell and R. M. Smith as first and second reserves respectively.

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NOTICE.
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Chinese New Year Holidays.
THIS office will be entirely closed on Friday, the 15th, February. It will be opened for all purposes from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, the 17th, February. Licensed Warehouses will be entirely closed on those dates.
P. LOYD,
Superintendent,
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Hongkong 12th February, 1923.

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Hongkong, 1st, February 1923.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.
THE HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.
THURSDAY, 15th, February
THERE will be no Tea Dance in the Hongkong Hotel on the above date.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.
THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 27th, February 1923 at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st, December, 1922, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday the 17th, February, 1923, until Tuesday, 27th, Feb. 1923, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 8th, February 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA
From EUROPE & STRAITS The Company's Steamship "MATSUMOTO MARU" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be will be out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before noon, to-day.
Goods not cleared by the 19th, Feb., will be subject to rent.
Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co's representatives at an appointed hour on Tuesday and Friday. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Agents.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1923.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.
ROWING.
ALL Members desirous of competing in inter-club events at the Inter-Port Regatta to be held on the 17th March under the auspices of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club and the Victoria Recreation Club are requested to hand in their names not later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday 14th Feb. For particulars see notice on Club notice board.
A. MCKIRDY.
A Hon Secretary.

NAVY CONTRACTS 1923-1924.
SEALED Tenders, in duplicate, for the supply of the under-mentioned Stores for H.M. Naval Service at Hongkong during the period 1st April 1923 to 31st March 1924 will be received by the Commodore, H.M. Naval Yard, until noon on Monday, 5th March 1923—
Fresh Beef.
Vegetables.
Frozen Meat.
Soft Bread.
Biscuits.
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Forms of Tender and any necessary information may be obtained on application to the Victualling Store Officer, H.M. Naval Depot, Kowloon.
The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.
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February 1923.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.
MEMBERS and Subscribers are reminded that entries close on 15th February 1923, and the Tournament begins on 1st March 1923.
By Order,
E. J. R. MITCHELL.
Hon Secretary.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.
IN THE GOODS of RAPHAEL AARON GUB-BAY late of Victoria Hongkong Exchange Broker deceased.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897 (No. 2 of 1897) made an order limiting the time for sending in claims to or against the above estate to the 28th day of February 1923. Creditors and claimants are hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned by the above date. Dated this 3rd day of February 1923.
DEACON HARBSTON & SHERTON,
Proctors for the Executor,
1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

FORTHCOMING AUCTION SALES

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction (For Account of the Consignee).
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The Following Government Stores: Gunmetal, Lead, Brass, Steel, Wood, Clocks, Fire Extinguishers, Lamps, Oil Stoves, Acids, Blankets, Pantaloons, etc., etc.
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Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1923.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WEAR & GODOWN CO., LTD.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS
THE THIRTY-SIXTH Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, Feb. 20th, 1923, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31st, 1922.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from THURSDAY, February 8th, 1923, to TUESDAY, February 20th, 1923, BOTH DAYS INCLUSIVE.
By order of the Board of Directors
W. S. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong, February 2nd, 1923.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.
INTERPORT GAME.
Hongkong v. Shanghai, SATURDAY, February 17th, Club Ground, kick off at 4 p.m. sharp
South China Athletic v. Shanghai MONDAY, February 19th, kick off at 4 p.m. sharp.
Admission to Stands: both games. Covered (all reserved) \$2, Uncovered (reserved) \$1.50, Unreserved \$1.00, Chairs 50 cents.
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UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Eighteenth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company Limited on Thursday the 15th, February 1923 at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December 1922.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 8th to 15th, February 1923 both dates inclusive.
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED
General Managers.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.
THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Executor of the Estate of the late Mr. R. A. Gubbay (deceased) to sell by Public Auction on Monday and Tuesday, the 26th and 27th, February, 1923, each day commencing at 2.45 p.m.
at "ULRANK" No. 2 May Road The Whole of his Valuable Household Furniture, Collection of Curios, Pictures, etc., etc.
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Brass and teak bedsteads, teak wardrobes with bevelled glass doors, dressing tables with marble top and bevelled mirrors, chests-of-drawers, washstands, toilet crockery, tapes, silk and lace curtains, linen, blankets, wardrobe trunks, travelling leather bags, etc., etc.
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MARINE ENGINEERS' GUILD OF CHINA.
Hongkong Branch.
MEMBERS are informed that the Regular Monthly will be held at the Guild Office on Wednesday 14th February 1923 at 5 o'clock p.m.
BUSINESS.
Important Correspondence and General Business.
W. J. STOKES,
Branch Secretary.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.
THE THIRTYFOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the offices of the Company, St. George's Buildings, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Friday the 23rd day of February, 1923 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account and Report of the Directors for year ending 31st December 1922, and declaring a dividend.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday the 14th February, 1923 until Friday the 23rd February, 1923 both days inclusive.
By order of the Board of Directors.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

FAR EAST "WHITE" PLOT?
Shanghai New Life reports that Alaman Simionov and M. Sazanof are now in Japan in connection with another "White" plot in the Far East. The suggestion is that, in the event of Soviet troops being withdrawn to European Russia as the result of developments in the Franco-German situation, a "White" force will be got together for an advance on Zabaikalia.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday the 24th, February 1923, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December 1922.
The Register of shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday 12th, February to Saturday 24th, February 1923, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.
By Order of the Court of Directors.
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 5th February 1923.

COMPANY MEETING.

Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.
The thirty-fourth annual general meeting of the Kowloon Land and Building Company, Ltd., was held this morning at the offices of the Company, Victoria Building, Mr. T. E. Pearce presided and there were also present the Rev. Father Robert and Mr. J. Rodger (Directors), Mr. Rogers (Acting Secretary), Mr. H. Percy Smith, Mr. G. W. Barton, Mr. W. J. Wilkinson and Mr. W. R. Wilkinson (shareholders).
The Acting Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.
The Chairman said:—Gentlemen.—As the report and statement of accounts have been in your hands for some days, I propose to take them as read. The net profit for the year amounts to \$19,448.46, as compared with \$17,329.07 for 1921, due mainly to a lighter expenditure on repairs to property. We are thus able to increase our dividend by ten cents a share, or \$3, and carry forward \$1,813.09, as against only \$364.93 last year. You are all no doubt aware that towards the end of the year we received an offer to purchase our property at a price which seemed to your Directors desirable to accept, and we have consequently sold the whole of our land and buildings. The sale falls due for completion at the end of next May. Barman money to the amount of \$54,000 has already been received and credited to cost of property, which accounts for the reduction under that heading on the balance sheet. Upon completion, we receive a further cash payment of 30 per cent., approximately \$162,000, while 60 per cent. remains on mortgage for three years at 6 per cent. per annum, which secures to us an income sufficient to maintain a dividend of \$3 per share or 10 per cent. upon the paid-up capital during its currency, and it is the intention of your Directors, upon the maturity of the mortgage, and subject to the passing of the necessary extraordinary resolutions, to wind up the Company. I now beg to propose that the report and accounts, as presented, be adopted and passed, and when this has been duly seconded I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may desire to put.
The adoption of the report and accounts was seconded by Mr. G. W. Barton and agreed to.
On the proposition of Mr. J. Rodger, seconded by Mr. W. J. Wilkinson, the election of the Rev. Father Robert to the Board of Directors was approved.
Messrs. T. E. Pearce and the Rev. Father Robert were re-elected Directors, on the proposal of Mr. H. Percy Smith, seconded by Mr. W. R. Wilkinson.
Mr. H. Percy Smith was re-elected auditor, at the remuneration of \$100, on the proposition of the Rev. Father Robert, second by the Chairman.
It was announced that dividend warrants are now ready.

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We will give a prize of \$50 to the reader who sends in the correct goal scores in the matches Hongkong v. Shanghai (Saturday) and South China Athletic v. Shanghai (Monday), as detailed in the coupon to be found below.
Rules of Competition.
1.—All forecasts must be written on coupons cut from "The Hongkong Telegraph." The name and address in the coupon to be plainly printed in block letters in Ink.
2.—Any number of attempts may be sent in, but a separate coupon must be used for each attempt.
3.—The Prize of \$50 will be awarded to the competitor who gives the correct goal scores in each match. In the event of more than one competitor sending in a correct forecast, then the prize will be divided equally between those competitors. No one competitor shall be entitled to more than one share of the prize.
4.—All coupons must be received at the Editor's office not later than 13 o'clock noon on Sunday, February 17th. Coupons received after that time will be disqualified.
5.—No responsibility will be accepted by the Editor for the loss or non-delivery of any coupon. The Editor's decision must be final. No correspondence or inquiries will be entered into concerning this competition.
6.—Any match given below which, through any cause whatever, is played to a finish will not be counted.
7.—No members of the "Telegraph" staff will be permitted to take part in the competition.
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Full House at Theatre Royal.
A full house witnessed the two old favourites, "Trial by Jury" and "H.M.S. Pinafore," which the J. C. Williamson Company staged at the Theatre Royal last night.
"Trial by Jury" is a laughable court scene. Miss Grace Crotty, who filled the role of "Plaintiff," made a great appeal with her sweet-toned voice and clever acting, and Mr. Charles Mettam scored a great triumph as "Defendant." Mr. Jack Kin-son received a tremendous ovation when he told the audience how he became "The Learned Judge." The other characters were all splendidly interpreted and the piece throughout was a huge success.
Encore were frequent in "H.M.S. Pinafore," the catchy music, the combined voices of this talented company in the choruses, and the solos by various members of the cast gaining the appreciation which they well merited. Mr. Jack Kinson, as the "Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B. (First Lord of the Admiralty)," carried out his part to perfection. Mr. John Ralston made a dashing "Captain Corcoran," and Mr. Victor Prince, in the difficult role of "Dick Daudery," had the house in roars of laughter. Mr. Gordon Crocker, in the character of "Ralph Rackstraw," was heard to great advantage and was encored on numerous occasions. Miss Elsie Coram ("Josephine") gained further triumphs with her charming voice, and another singer of much merit was Miss Christine Lorimer, who took the role of "Little Buttercup." Mr. Roy Workman appeared in the character of "Bill Bobstay." Mr. Dallas Merton as "Bob Becket" and Miss Aileen Pollard as "Hebe," all of whom gave good interpretations of their parts and added in no small measure to the success of a really fine production.
To-night the Company are staging the ever-popular "Pirates of Penzance."

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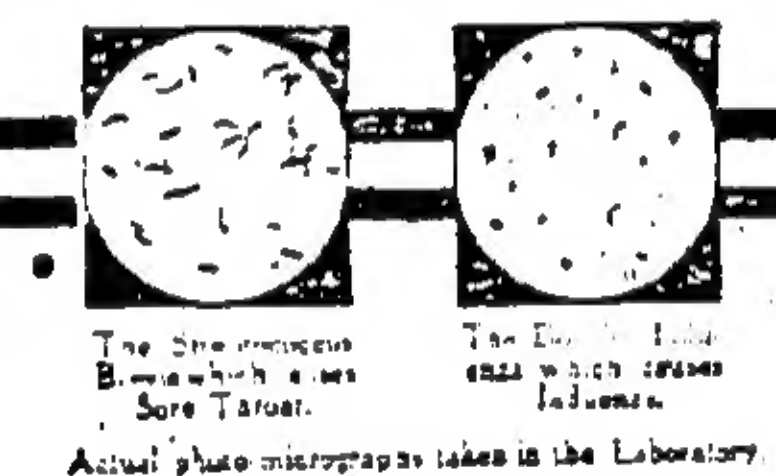
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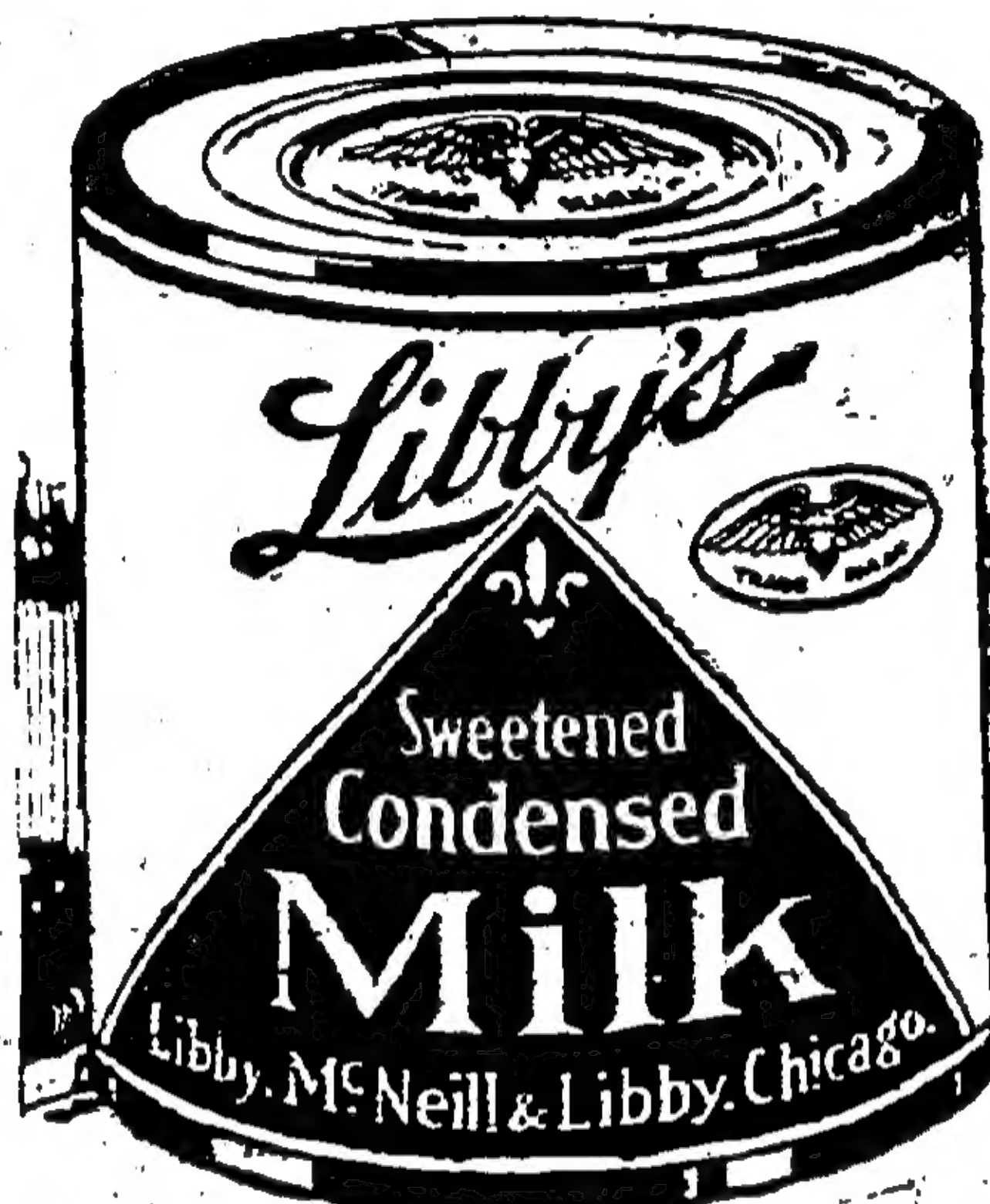
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Herrings in Mustard	" "	65
Kipperd Herrings	" "	55
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BIRTHS.

HOLLAND.—On February 2, 1923, at the Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. V. J. B. Holland, a son.

GUTERRES.—On February 4, 1923, at Watanabe Hospital, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Guterres, a son.

DEATH.

RIDGE.—On Saturday February 3, 1923, at Peking, Mary Louise, the beloved wife of William Sheldon Ridge, of Peking, formerly of Shanghai, aged 47 years.

The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 13th Feb., 1923.

HOUSING PROBLEMS.

Two issues of much local importance were raised in the Chairman's speech at last evening's meeting of the Kowloon Residents' Association—the matter of house rentals and the question of a European reservation in Kowloon. On both these points, strong cases were made out, and we find ourselves entirely sympathetic towards the view points put forward concerning each. To take the former question first, there is not the slightest doubt that many landlords are, in the case of new property which is unaffected by the Rents Restriction Ordinance, charging most excessive rentals. The idea of exempting new property from the rent-control law, on the ground that to restrict rentals might discourage building, was an excellent one from some standpoints, but the question is now freely being asked (in Hongkong as well as Kowloon) whether landlords are not taking undue advantage of the position which they thus enjoy. The worst feature of these high rentals on new houses is that they will in all probability be taken as a standard to be followed by owners of old property when the present restrictions are eventually removed. That is the danger, at any rate, and we commend that point to the serious consideration of His Excellency the Governor.

The Daily Press this morning says: "Whether owners of new property are getting exorbitant rentals or not, we are not in a position to decide." Then may we ask our contemporary what it thinks of a rental of \$175 per month for a new flat in Kowloon? The same journal is surprised at the suggestion that rentals on new property should be to some extent controlled, in this connection citing the Government's "solemn pledge" that restriction should not apply to such property. Would the Daily Press

argue that that pledge is to stand for all time and under all conditions? Surely the Government would have a right to withdraw any privilege once it became established that the privilege was being abused.

Regarding the European reservation question, we quite see, as did the Chairman at last night's meeting, that here a ticklish issue is raised. But it ought not to be buried on that account. We do not hesitate to say it is a scandal that whilst other parts of the Colony can secure their European reservations, Kowloon is denied similar privileges. We know the old arguments that the law will not countenance the specific setting aside of definite areas wherein only Europeans may reside. But that is a quibble. In a literal sense it may be true, but in actual everyday working experience it is otherwise. We need only cite the case of the Peak to establish that point. And what can be done in the one instance can be done, by precisely similar methods, in the other. Kowloon residents are on firm ground when they ask for equality of treatment in this matter. They have a right to it, and we hope the Residents' Association will not rest content until they have secured it. The same machinery which has been utilised to give protection to Europeans on the Peak and at Cheung Chau should be operated in favour of Kowloon as well.

There is, as Mr. Wylie said at last night's meeting, no question of racial prejudice involved in this matter of a European reservation—people have a right to desire to live among their own kind. It really comes down to nothing more than the exercise of foresight and common-sense methods, and in any well-conceived town-planning scheme distinctive provision should be made, as far as possible, for all sections of the community. It is certain that unless something is done on these lines, very soon we shall see in Kowloon a repetition of what has occurred on the middle levels in Hongkong—Europeans gradually squeezed out of the best residential districts to make way for wealthy Asiatics. That is an error which must be avoided at all costs.

The Colony's Trade.

It has been asked recently what, if any, effect the unrest in South China, and the Canton trouble particularly, has had on trade in this Colony. Naturally the Chinese firms would be the principal sufferers, in the case of any adverse influence being felt. With the approach of Chinese New Year, there is a slackening of Chinese business here while the customary yearly settlements are transacted. According to Mr. Yip Lai-chuen, the Secretary for the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, from whom we have been able to obtain authoritative information, the past year has been an exceptionally bad one for the merchants, so much so that it is believed several firms doing overseas trading are about to close. The depression has been general in almost all lines, though the banks have had a fairly prosperous year, with the large sums lent out and the returns obtained on the conversion of mortgages. The slackening of general trade is attributed to the continuous occurrence of trouble in the neighbouring Chinese territory, where pirates, brigands and different military factions have combined to produce a situation which has resulted in a fifty per cent loss of business. What with the seamen's strike of last April, the continual labour troubles, and the political disputes, the position of a merchant, as Mr. Yip agrees, is an anxious one these days.

Psychology of Crowds.

There is scope for a special study, chiefly of interest, perhaps, to the alienist—the psychology of the average crowd. In using the term "crowd" we give it the wider application that embraces

DAY BY DAY.

ACTING LOW DOWN IS NOT THE PROPER WAY TO GET HIGHER UP.

Lady Leveson and her daughter returned by the French mail steamer Angkor.

Mr. W. E. Roberts and Mr. C. E. Lerrigo were among the passengers arriving by the s.s. Angkor.

The North China Daily News understands that Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co. have acquired an interest in Messrs. Arnold Bros. Co., Ltd.

The master of the s.s. Cheongshing has reported to the Harbour Office that his ship passed an upturned fishing junk when in Lat. 23.58 N., Long. 118.24 E.

A small collapse took place this morning at No. 4, Tai Wong Street, Wanchai. A portion of a kitchen at the back of the house suddenly collapsed, but, fortunately, there was no one inside at the time. The Public Works Department were notified by the police.

A copy to hand in Shanghai of the *Guernsey Weekly Press* contains the interesting statement that Sir Haviland de Sausmarez, formerly Judge of H.M. Court for China, has been appointed by the King Bailiff of Guernsey and its Dependencies—a post that carries with it the annual salary of £1,500.

The health return for the past week shows eight cases of diphtheria (one Dutch, one American and the rest Chinese), of which four were fatal; two fatal cases of enteric (Chinese); two non-fatal occurrences of small-pox (Chinese and Portuguese); and one fatal case of cerebro-spinal fever (Chinese).

On arriving in port yesterday morning from Canton, the master of the Indo-China s.s. Esang reported that his ship was in slight collision with the s.s. Derawongse at Canton. It appears that a sampan anchored in the Central fairway and this made it difficult for the Esang to manoeuvre. Some of the other boat's plates were damaged.

All those interested in the sculptor's art should certainly make a point of visiting the exhibition of Florentine marble statuary at present being held at the Astor Hotel Building. Only the original creations of first class Italian artists are exhibited, and it is only necessary to pay a visit to the collection to realise that only those in the first rank of sculptural art could have caught the remarkable life-like expressions portrayed in some of the studies.

A "DRY" STORY.

The strong man of the Prohibitionist movement of Australia, Rev. Robert B. S. Hammond, Rector of St. Barnabas, Sydney, in a speech at Caxton Hall, said that in Honolulu: "I saw enormous packages, and asked what they were. 'Oh, that's a brewery we're shipping to China now that the States have gone dry,' was the answer." Mr. Hammond used the story to give point to his demand that the whole world must go "dry."

The general mass of modern civilised humanity. It is an ancient subject, commented on from the days of Mark Antony, and earlier. It is a study that has received the attention of politicians, as a matter of course. And it is a matter that deserves special attention nowadays. Has the war had any permanent effect in moulding the tone of public thought in such a manner that it goes more easily into morbid channels? Were the queues that lined up for the lifford trial and the crowds that gathered outside Pentonville and Holloway gaols at the hour of execution a sign of what we have come to? The Press (in a certain section of it) is often blamed for pandering to the public taste in such matters, but even here it is a case of the Press voicing public opinion. Perhaps mass ignorance has something to do with it. In Hongkong and other parts of the East the slightest occurrence will often attract a dense crowd. Sensationalism has, fortunately, made very little progress in Eastern literature. So it is just the old human curiosity being exemplified; and there is perhaps hope for our Western civilisation.

STEAMBOAT COMPANY MEETING.

Chairman Refers to "Sui An" Piracy.

The one hundred and third ordinary meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., was held in the office of the Company, Des Voeux Road, this morning. The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr was in the chair, the others present being the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Sir Robert Ho Tung and Messrs. W. E. Clarke, D. G. M. Bernard, T. G. Weall, A. O. Lang, Chau Sui Ki, (directors), Mr. John Arnold, (secretary), and Messrs. N. V. A. Croucher, F. Smyth, J. J. Lossius, A. S. Ellis, Chau Tsun Nin, Fung Ping Shan, Ip Wing Cho, Chau Sing Tong, Chau Kit Nin, Li Koon Cheung, P. K. Kwok, and A. M. de L. Soares, (shareholders).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen.—The annual report and statement of accounts, together with the auditors' report, have been in your hands for some days, and with your permission I will take them as read.

Bearing in mind the fact that from the 13th January until the 6th March, the period of the seamen's strike, the Company's vessels were all laid up, and subsequently business with Macao was paralysed for 3 months, I trust that you will agree that the result of the year's working is under the circumstances satisfactory. Your directors have utilised \$53,192.02 to write down the book value of steamers, lighter, wharves, properties and office furniture; and have transferred \$25,000 to Equalization of Dividend Fund, \$25,000 to Special Repairs Fund, and \$13,446.57 (representing £1,500 at exchange of 2.13 16) to Floating Staff Pension Fund. After allowing for the interim dividend of \$1 per share paid in August last, there is available for distribution the sum of \$203,499.63, which includes \$41,395.50 brought forward from the previous year. Your directors recommend that this should be dealt with as follows:—

Payment of a final dividend of \$1 per share	\$80,000.00
Payment of a bonus of \$1.35 per share	100.0.0.00
Payment of a bonus to office staff and wharfingers	3,731.50
Carry forward to a new Profit and Loss Account	19,767.13
	\$203,499.63

I trust this will meet with the shareholders' approval. As customary, the market values of shares held in local companies and sterling investments have been adjusted to quotations ruling on 31st December, 1922. You will note that during the past year, the Investment Fluctuation Account has shown an increase of \$101,637.37, due to the rise in values of securities held by the Company and profit realized on sale of shares. From this account your directors have transferred \$35,417.93 representing profits on sale of shares, to Profit and Loss Account, and \$130,000.00, to Depreciation Fund.

From this Fund \$180,000.00 has been taken to write down the value of the Company's fleet. This adjustment puts the value of the ships, on a proper basis, calculated on their estimated life. In order to maintain our position in the river trade, your directors decided to build a new steamer to replace the s.s. "Honam," which has been on service continuously since 1882. Tenders were received from five shipbuilding firms in England, Shanghai and Hongkong, and the contract was awarded to the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. The builders hope to have the vessel completed by September of the current year.

Your directors, acting on the advice of the Company's legal advisers, deemed it desirable that the Company's Articles of Association should be revised and brought up to date and altered in certain respects so as to be more in line with the articles of other public companies in this Colony. The necessary meetings of shareholders were held for this purpose in December last.

The "Sui An" Affair.

I feel my duty to give expression to the deep regret of the Board at the piracy perpetrated on board the steamer "Sui An" and their deep sympathy with the sufferers and their relatives. The piracy took place on Sunday, 19th November, while the steamer was on a voyage from Macao to Hongkong,

BOXER INDEMNITY.

Banque Industrielle Prospects.

Peking, Feb. 12.—The House of Representatives, at a special meeting to-morrow, will discuss payment of the French part of the Boxer Indemnity, regarding which it is understood that the House will urge the Government to pay in paper, not gold, francs. It is understood in this connection that the Chinese and French Governments agreed last July that the payment be in gold francs, the funds to be used partly for Sino-French educational purposes and partly for restoring the Banque Industrielle de Chine. If the matter is amicably settled, the Banque Industrielle will probably open after the end of February.—Reuter.

and resulted in the death of two Indian armed guards and the wounding of the Captain, watchmen and three passengers. The circumstances attending the piracy have been very fully investigated by a Commission appointed by His Excellency the Governor, and this report has now been published.

It is very gratifying to hear that the Commission are satisfied that the ship's officers conducted themselves in a perfectly satisfactory manner during the piracy, and that "The behaviour of the ship's guards appears to have been excellent." Certain recommendations are put forward for the amendment of the Piracy Regulations, and it is to be hoped that alterations that are made will be efficient without constituting a burden on the Company or causing unnecessary inconvenience to passengers. Your Board agree with the concluding paragraph of the Commission's report, which they consider is the crux of the situation: "Whatever measures are adopted in the Colony to prevent piracy, their success will be only partial until public order is firmly established in the neighbouring Chinese Territories. The root of the evil is outside the waters of the Colony."

I desire to express on behalf of the directors their appreciation of the very satisfactory work done by the Company's staff afloat and on shore under more than normally trying conditions, and of the excellent services rendered by our agents at Canton and Macao during the past exceptionally difficult year. Subject to your approval, the directors have set aside a bonus for the office staff and wharfingers of \$3,732.50.

I do not think there is anything more that calls for comment, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts. After the motion has been seconded, I will be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may wish to put.

Mr. F. Smyth said:—Mr. Chairman and gentlemen.—It gives me great pleasure to second the adoption of the report and accounts as presented. After the full and interesting speech of the Chairman there is little useful for me to add. The shareholders are to be congratulated on the figures. Considering the continuous labour troubles, the political unrest and the chaotic conditions in the neighbouring provinces during the past year, the results obtained are more than satisfactory and reflect great credit on the directors and management. To all who have laboured so well in producing such excellent results the shareholders are greatly indebted. I think I speak with the full and cordial approval of the shareholders, when I state we endorse the policy of our Board in paying such a handsome dividend and bonus without taxing the Company's resources, and at the same time making ample provision for depreciation and transferring the necessary sums to reserve funds.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted; and the following resolutions were also unanimously passed.

Messrs. A. O. Lang, T. G. Weall and Chau Sui-ki were confirmed as directors of the Company, on the proposition of Mr. Chau Tsun-nin, seconded by Mr. Chau Sing-tong. Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. W. E. Clarke were re-elected directors, on the proposition of Mr. N. V. A. Croucher, seconded by Mr. J. J. Lossius.

Mr. A. R. Lowe, F.C.A., and Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., were re-elected auditors for 1923 at the remuneration of \$300 each, on the proposal of Mr. A. S. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Li Koon-cheung. This concluded the business of the meeting, the Chairman intimating that dividend warrants were now ready.

THE RACES.

TO-DAY'S TRAINING TIMES.

PONY'S NAME	Distance	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Last
		Mile	Mile	Mile	Mile	Miles	Miles	Miles	quarter
Scampendale	1/2	37	1.11.2	1.45.2	---	---	---	---	34
Mossie Tile & Cyr Tile	1/2	33.2	1.06	1.40	---	---	---	---	34
Speckled Mouse	1/2	37	1.12	1.42	---	---	---	---	30
Roman Warrior	1/2	32.3	1.06.3	1.40	---	---	---	---	32.3
Maple Leaf	1/2	36	1.14	1.48	2.24	3.00	3.38	---	38
Royal Earl	1/2	35	1.10	1.47	2.19.4	---	---	---	32.4
Roman Ash & Roman Bay	1/2	41	1.20	1.57	---	---	---	---	37
Sacadura	1/2	36	1.11	1.46.2	2.22.2	---	---	---	36
Roman Province	1/2	31	1.09	1.41	2.19	---	---	---	35
Royal Oak	1/2	37	1.13.2	1.50.2	2.33.3	---	---	---	31.1
Royal Beauty	1/2	35.2	1.16	1.52	2.33.2	---	---	---	31.2
Manifesto	1/2	34	1.09	1.43.2	2.15	---	---	---	31.3
Roman Pride	1/2	32	1.06.3	1.40	2.11	---	---	---	31
Even-though	1/2	35	1.10	1.45	2.22	---	---	---	37
Harkaway	1/2	36	1.08	1.43	---	---	---	---	35
Roman Republic	1/2	34.2	1.08.2	1.41.2	2.11.4	---	---	---	30.2
Roman Victory	1/2	36.4	1.13	1.47.4	2.17.2	---	---	---	29.3
Roman Law and Roman Standard	1	35.3	1.12	1.46	2.17.3	---	---	---	31.3

RIFLE LEAGUE.

Taikoo Team Beaten.

Three matches were fired off in the Hongkong Rifle League during the week-end. It will be seen from the scores below that the high-scoring Taikoo team succumbed to the Dockyard, proving that Tai Hang range is not all "bear and skittles." M. Raiton, a newcomer to the Defence Corps team, has commenced his shooting in very convincing manner, and more should be heard from him. H.M.S. Titania has been admitted to the League for this season, the sole representative of the Navy.

Dockyard R. C. v. Taikoo.

This match was shot off on the Tai Hang range on Saturday, the Dockyard winning by 31 points.

	200 yds.	300 yds.	400 yds.	Total
Mr. Pritchard	29	32	31	92
Mr. Gill	29	31	29	91
Mr. McGuigan	28	30	28	86
Mr. Brock	27	32	26	85
Mr. Nicholson	28	29	28	85
Mr. Wimbles	32	27	21	80
Mr. Mayer	28	25	26	79
Mr. Lamerton	30	25	24	79

DOCKYARD R.C.

	200 yds.	300 yds.	400 yds.	Total
Mr. Brodie	30	29	30	89
Mr. Swan	28	31	29	88
Mr. Simpson	27	30	30	87
Mr. Grimshaw	24	30	24	82
Mr. Lyle	27	25	29	81
Mr. Eldridge	24	30	24	78
Mr. Wallace	25	28	24	77
Mr. Summers	31	9	21	61

DOCKYARD R.C. v.

Defence Corps.

These teams met on Sunday at Taikoo, the Dockyard winning by 30 points. The scores were—

DOCKYARD R.C.

	200 yds.	300 yds.	400 yds.	Total
Mr. Pritchard	30	34	29	93
Mr. Wimbles	30	31	30	91
Mr. Brock	31	30	30	91
Mr. Gill	34	27	29	90
Mr. Mayer	27	26	34	87
Mr. Lamerton	30	33	24	87
Mr. Nicholson	25	29	24	78
Mr. McGuigan	28	24	24	76

DEFENCE CORPS.

	200 yds.	300 yds.	400 yds.	Total
Mr. M. Raiton	29	33	32	94
Mr. F. Goodman	32	33	28	93
Mr. R. Goodman	29	30	32	91
Mr. N.L. Raiton	27	32	26	85
Mr. Shaw	29	31	25	85
Mr. Young	27	32	22	81
Mr. Cullen	22	23	27	72
Mr. Lapsley	20	24	9	53

R.E. v. Police.

Fired off at Kowloon City range on Sunday, the Police winning by 78 points. Scores—

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

	200 yds.	300 yds.	400 yds.	Total
R.S.M. Northover	57
Q.S.M. Longbottom	77
S.S. Redpath	81
Sgt. Cockell	47
Lea. Cpl. Blackman	74
Lea. Cpl. Cleaver	66
Sgt. Smith	65

POLICE.

	200 yds.	300 yds.	400 yds.	Total
Sub. I. Macnab Wilson	92
Sgt. Carpenter	89
Sgt. Hopkins	58
Sgt. Ritchie	72
Sgt. Smith	68
Sgt. Earnshaw	75
Sgt. Knowles	81

Total...

PASSAGE RATES.

Blue Funnel Reductions.

Cabled advices have just been received from Messrs. Alfred Holt and Co., Liverpool, that the new Blue Funnel Line passenger steamer "Sarpodon," of over 10,000 tons gross register, will be sailing outwards on her maiden voyage on 9th June. She should be leaving homewards from Shanghai about 26th July and from Hongkong about 31st July. With the exception of fares from Shanghai, the old rates will apply to these new vessels, which will have "single berth" cabins, "special" cabins and "cabins-de-luxe," for all of which an extra charge will be made.

By the "Menior," "Pyrrhus" and "Teiresias," the fares to London have been revised as follows—

	Single	Return
Japan	295	2168
Shanghai	290	2158
Hongkong	287	2153
Singapore	278	2137

The revised rates are effective immediately, and commenced with the sailing hence of s.s. "Teiresias" yesterday.

COMPANY REPORT.

The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.

The Report of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., for presentation to shareholders at the Thirty-sixth Ordinary Annual Meeting on Tuesday, 20th February, states—

The Directors beg to submit to shareholders their report with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1922.

The profit on working was \$1,216,500.91 as compared with \$208,150.97 in 1921.

The balance for the year, after deducting Directors' and Auditors' fees, contributing to the Swatow Typhoon Relief Fund, allowing for depreciation, and paying for repairs and a bonus to Superintendent Engineer on retirement of \$201,645.50. The amount brought forward from last year is \$221,509.80, making a total of \$1,223,452.66 available for appropriation.

The Directors recommend the following—

To pay a dividend of 8% per share.....\$150,000.00
To pay a bonus of 5% per share.....240,000.00
To transfer to Equalization of Dividend Fund 100,000.00
To transfer to Special Reserve Fund.....100,000.00
To carry forward.....333,452.66
\$1,223,452.66

Directors: During the year Messrs. A. S. Gubbay, O. I. Ellis, G. M. Dodwell and S. S. Perry resigned and their places were taken by Messrs. H. W. Sassoon, E. S. Abraham, T. G. Weall, and A. H. Compton. Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Farr and Mr. A. S. D. Constand retire according to the Articles of Association and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors: Messrs. H. Percy Smith, F.C.A. and C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A. have audited the accounts now presented, and offer themselves for re-election.

D. G. M. BERNARD, Chairman.

EUROPEAN IN TROUBLE.

Doubts as to His Mentality.

The case in which Reginald Radcliffe, an unemployed ship's officer, was charged with the theft of \$100 from Mr. Allan, of the s.s. Haihong, was resumed before Mr. R.E. Lindsell at the Police Court this morning.

Mr. M.H. Turner, who was for the defence, said that it was worth noting in the case that the accused must have known that it is a Colony like Hongkong any European who committed any wilful wrong would be bound to be arrested.

His Worship said he had no reason whatever to doubt the evidence of the prosecution. "Undoubtedly larceny had been committed. I am not satisfied as to the mentality of the defendant. I propose to remand him in Victoria Gaol for three days in order that he may be put under medical observation."

A remand was ordered until the 16th, the magistrate adding that a conviction was recorded against the defendant. The money found on the man would be returned to the complainant.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

A Busy Week.

The present week is a busy one in the local football world. Besides the nightly practices by the Interport team, there are a number of important fixtures down for decision, culminating in the match between Hongkong and Shanghai on Saturday afternoon.

On Thursday, the Police and Ambrose are due to meet in the First Division of the League, whilst the Durban and Marazion are to play off a Second League match.

On Friday, two Shield Competition semi-finals will be played, the Durban meeting Kowloon in the senior department, and the King's meeting the R.G.A. in the junior.

On Saturday, besides the Interport game, the following matches will be played in the Second Division of the League—University v. St. Joseph's; Durban v. Police; Auxiliaries v. Warders.

A PUZZLE A DAY.

Two men were riding on a ferris-wheel. Said one: "Add one-third of the people ahead of us to three-fourths of those behind us, and you will have the exact number of people riding on the wheel." How many people were riding?

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* Over 5,000 recruits, none over 24 years, mobilized in historic Kremlin Square, Moscow, when Trotsky called for his army. This was Trotsky's answer to the refusal of Poland to agree with Russia to a reduction of their armies.



Here is a whole-hearted farewell of Free State soldiers and two privates of a Welsh regiment which has long been in Ireland.



In the photo above, four British battalions are shown leaving Ireland for England.



Emile Cone photographed with a group of patients.



The last battalion of British regulars are shown here marching forth from General Macready's Dublin headquarters en route to the waterfront. The Free State sentry on the right presenting arms.



Society from all parts of the world has gathered to enjoy the winter sports at St. Moritz. In the first row, left to right, are Lady Birkenhead and Miss Dunn. Standing, the Duke of Sutherland and Lord Birkenhead.



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S.S. "HOZU MARU" on or about January.

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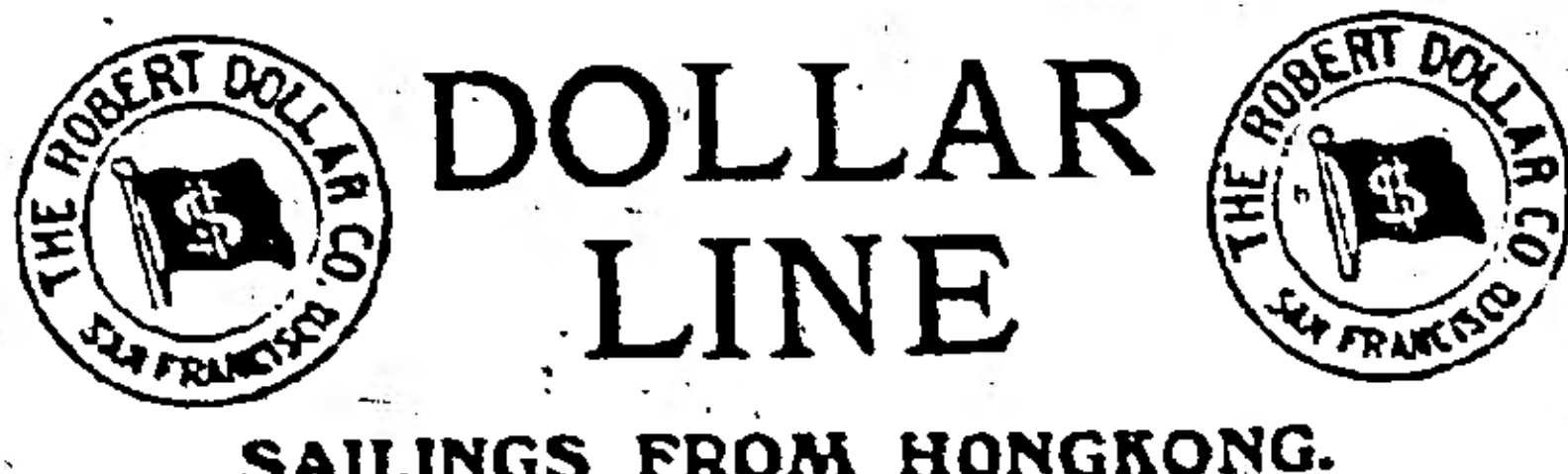
S.S. "TAIKWA MARU" on or about February.

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"WESER" 9,000 27th February Genoa, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Bremen.

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LAND SALES.

Spirited Bidding.

The handsome sum of over \$240,000 will be added to Government revenue, as the result of the sale of three lots of Crown land at the Land Office yesterday afternoon. The sale was conducted by Mr. E. B. Reed and there was some spirited bidding between rival combines.

Kowloon inland lots Nos. 1519 and 1520, in Waterloo Street, were offered together. They are 29,250 square feet in extent and the annual rental is \$334. Bidding commenced at the upset price of \$21,415 and soon rose by bids of \$100 to \$24,700. The next offer was one of \$40,000 and then bids of \$200, \$300, \$400 and \$500 became frequent. Offers came briskly and it was not until nearing the \$70,000 that one or two fell out. "Try another \$500," the auctioneer suggested on several occasions and back the reply came from the rear of the room "Yes." At \$70,000 the lots were knocked down to Mr. Fung Tat-hang, proprietor of the Hongkong Hotel, for the Steam Laundry Company, whose present premises are in close proximity to the site.

A plot of land 5,230 square feet in extent, with an annual rental of \$54, situate at Tai Hang Village fetched nearly three times the upset price of \$5,230. The bidding was advanced chiefly by means of \$100 bids and sometimes by offers of \$500, until \$14,500 was reached. At this price it was knocked down to Messrs Poon Hing, Li Man-tuen, and Ma Tsui-chiu.

An excellent site East of Tai Hau Temple, Causeway Bay, with an area of 76,368 square feet, fetched the big price of \$156,000, almost four times the upset price, which was fixed at \$38,184. The annual rental is \$788. The first bid was for \$38,200. The next bid was for \$100,000. A \$1,000 bid followed and then \$50,000 was next called. Two rival combines were offering respective bids of \$1,000 until \$141,000 was reached and then \$100 offers took the total to \$156,000. The purchasers were Messrs B. H. Kewell, Li Sing-kan, Ma Tsui-chiu and Poon Hing.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
KHIVA	9,097	21 Feb. 4 p.m.	M's, L'don, A'warp, R'dam
SICILIA	6,700	27th Feb.	S'pore, P'ang, C'm & B'bay
MOREA	11,000	7th Mar.	B'bay, M's, L'don, A'warp
LAHORE	5,000	8th Mar.	S'pore, P'ang, C'm & B'bay
ALIPORE	3,273	13th Mar.	Singapore, P'ang & Bombay

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)
TORILLA 5,300 23th Feb. S'pore, Penang & Calcutta.**EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)**EASTERN: 4,000 3rd March. {Manila, S'kan, Thursday
Island, Tr'ik, B'hane,
Sydney & Melbourne.Proposed connections from Australia with the following:
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SICILIA	6,700	15th Feb.	Shanghai.
BONGOLA	8,000	24th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama
SOUDAN	6,700	10th Mar.	Shanghai
NANKIN	7,000	10th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Y'hama

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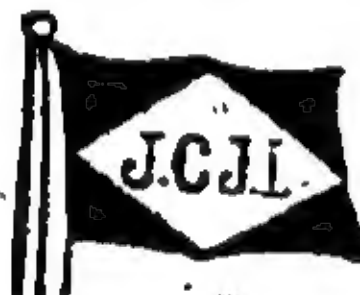
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Steamer	From	Expected at	Will leave on	To
Tjikondari	Batavia	in port	23rd Feb.	Saigon/Java
Tjikini	Balikpapan	in port	14th Feb.	Amoy, S'hai, Jap.
Tjikapas	Java	13th Feb.	19th Feb.	Soerabaja
Tjikarom	Daly	13th Feb.	23rd Feb.	Batavia
Tjikarang	Java	21st Feb.	—	—

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OUTWARDS.

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel	Due Hongkong	Vessel	Leaves Hongkong
PEMBROKESHIRE	23rd Feb.	OLENSANDA	19th Feb.
OLENLUCE	27th Feb.	OLENSHANE	14th Feb.
OLENADE	12th Mar.	OLENSHANE	14th Feb.

Movements are subject to change without notice.

For freight or further particulars please apply to—

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AGENTS THE CLEN LINE, LTD

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SERVICES CONTRACTUELS

Mail-Steamer	Next Sailing from Hongkong	Pre. arr. at Hongkong from S'hai & Japan	Pre. Sailing from Hongkong to S'hai & Japan
ANGKOR	—	—	13th Feb.
ANGERS	—	—	18th Feb.
AZAY LE RIDEAU	12th Jan.	17th Feb.	20th Mar.
PORTHOS	26th Jan.	2nd Mar.	3rd Apr.
ARMAND BEHIC	9th Feb.	16th Mar.	17th Apr.

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IYO MARU	Thursday.	1st Mar. at 11 a.m.
SHIZUOKA MARU	Sunday.	18th Mar. at 11 a.m.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, &c.	Wednesday.	14th February.
ATSUTA MARU	Wednesday.	28th Jan.
KASHIMA MARU	Wednesday.	28th Jan.
HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.	—	—

LIVERPOOL via MARSHILLES & VALENCIA.

TSUSHIMA MARU ... 1st half of March.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 14th Feb. at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 21st March.

NEW YORK & BOSTON via PANAMA.

TSUYAMA MARU ... Wednesday, 14th Feb.

TOBA MARU ... Sailing End February.

BUENOS AIRES via S'pore, Delagoa Bay, Durban & Cape Town.

KANAGAWA MARU ... Friday, 13th April.

JOMBA via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

KOBUN MARU ... Thursday, 15th Feb.

WAKASA MARU ... Tuesday, 27th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

TATEISHI MARU ... Wednesday, 21st February.

NAQASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TANGO MARU ... Thursday, 15th Feb.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

SUWA MARU ... Wednesday, 14th Feb. at noon.

FUSHIMI MARU ... Tuesday, 27th February.

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FOR SHANGHAI.

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Via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

S.S. "PERSIA" ... Sailing on or about 26th February.

S.S. "TRIESTE" ... End of March.

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OUTWARDS.

"City of Simla" ... 13th Feb. ... S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.

"City of York" ... 14th Feb. ... Marseilles, London & Hamburg.

"City of Simla" ... 13th Feb. ... Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

"City of York" ... 14th Feb. ... Marseilles, London & Hamburg.

"City of Simla" ... 24th Mar.

"City of Poona" ... 2nd half Apr.

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INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co., Ltd.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination	Steamer	Sailing
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Laesang	Wed. 14th Feb. at 10 a.m.
KOBE	Namsang	Wed. 14th Feb. at noon.
MANILA	Loongsang	Thurs. 15th Feb. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Yatsing	Mon. 19th Feb. at 10 a.m.
TAO via S'hai	Laksang	Mon. 19th Feb. at 10 a.m.
KOBE	Hosang	Thurs. 22nd Feb. at noon.
SANDAKAN	Mausang	Thurs. 22nd Feb. at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Kutsang	Thurs. 22nd Feb. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK	Chunsang	Fri. 23rd Feb. at 10 a.m.
TIENSIN	Chipsang	Sat. 24th Feb. at noon.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Foosang	Tues. 26th Feb. at noon.
TIENSIN	Cheongsang	Sat. 3rd Mar. at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Namsang	Mon. 5th Mar. at 3 p.m.

CALCUTTA LINE—This Line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore; Returning from Calcutta steamers proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan occasionally calling at Shanghai.

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Steamships	Captain	Leaving
Haikong ...	W. C. Parimore	TUES. 13th Feb. at 1 p.m.
Haiching ...	J. S. Thomson	TUE. 20th Feb. at 1 p.m.

FOR SWATOW.Haikong ... Ellis Walker ... FRI. 9th Feb. at noon.
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CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship

"PERSIA"

From TRIESTE, VENICE, BRINDISI, MASSAUA, PORT SAID, ADEN, COLOMBO, PENANG, & SINGAPORE.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Holt's wharf at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharf delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 8th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 14th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 34th inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th inst. at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,

Agents.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's

Steamer

"AUTOLYCUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 15th February.

Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st Feb. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the underwriter on or before the 7th March, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OSAKA SHOEN KAISHA.

S.S. "AFRICA MARU"

From AMERICA VIA JAPAN

PORTS.

Consignees of cargo from U.S. America (Tacoma, Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver) and Japan (Yokohama and Kobe) are hereby notified that the above steamer took fire in her hold No. 4 on her way from Kobe to Nagasaki on the 1st February 1923, and sustained damage to her cargo stored in her hold caused by water to extinguish the fire.

This case being declared as "General Average", Consignees of cargo are kindly requested to deposit an average deposit of 5% on respective cargo value and also to sign "Average Bond" prepared at this office, before taking delivery of their cargo.

The General Average will be adjusted by Mr. Wadman, Shanghai.

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